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SUBJECT: FY 1976 AMSPEC PROGRAM FOR BRAZIL: RAPHAEL HILLYER AND DAVID
APPLEBY

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1. BRASILIA SCHOOL OF MUSIC IS GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED (FUNDACAO EDUCACIONAL DO DISTRITO FEDERAL) INSTITUTIONS IN ITS SECOND YEAR (ENROLLMENT: 2,000), MOST PROGRESSIVE MUSIC SCHOOL IN BRAZIL. IT OFFERS MUSIC TEACHING FOR GRADUATES. EACH LEVEL HAS STUDENT ORCHESTRA, CHOIR AND BAND. SCHOOL IS FORMING MUSICIANS FOR FUTURE BRASILIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO BE STARTED IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR.

2. DYNAMIC DIRECTOR LEVINO ALCANTARA VERY INTERESTED IN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE IN MUSIC TEACHING. EMBASSY HAS HAD GOOD SUPPORT FOR ITS CULTURAL PROGRAM FROM ALCANTARA WHO HAS ACTIVELY COLLABORATED WITH ALWIN NIKOLAIS, RICCI, AND WILL SPONSOR IN APRIL PIANIST ANN SCHEIN IN WORKSHOP WITH ADVANCED STUDENTS.

3. FIRST SUMMER MUSIC COURSE HELD JANUARY 1976 WAS SMASHING SUCESS: 200 GRADUATES AND TEACHERS ATTENDED FROM ALL OVER BRAZIL. FOUR GERMAN MUSICIANS FUNDED BY GOETHE INSTITUTE AND FOUR BRAZILIAN COMPOSES AND CONDUCTORS LED COURSE. ALCANTARA ALREADY SETTING UP PLANS FOR 1977 SUMMER
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COURSE. OFFICIAL SUPPORT (SECRETARY OF STATE FOR CULTURE AND

EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT FEDERAL ENTHUSIASTICALLY
ENDORSES PLANS), PUBLIC SUCCESS, GOOD PRESS COVERAGE ALL
OVER BRAZIL AND ALCANTARA'S CATALYZING PERSONALITY INDICATE
CONSIDERABLE IMPACT AND SUCCESS FOR NEXT YEAR'S SUMMER COURSE.

4. BOTH HILLYER AND APPLEBY SPEAK PORTUGUESE, ARE CONSIDERED
HIGHLY REPUTABLE SCHOLARS AND WILL BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE IN
AREA OF GREATEST INTERESTS: TEACHING OF VIOLIN (HILLYER) AND
METHOD OF COLLECTIVE PIANO TEACHING (HIGHEST ENROLLMENT IN
BRAZILIAN MUSIC SCHOOLS AND CONSERVATORIES IS IN PIANO TEACHING).

5. POST ASKING DEPARTMENT TO RECONSIDER POST'S REQUEST. IF
TWO AMSPEC GRANTS NOT POSSIBLE REQUEST CONSIDERATION EITHER
HILLYER OR APPLEBY FOR USE HERE IN 1977 SUMMER COURSE, TO BE
HELD JANUARY 1977.
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